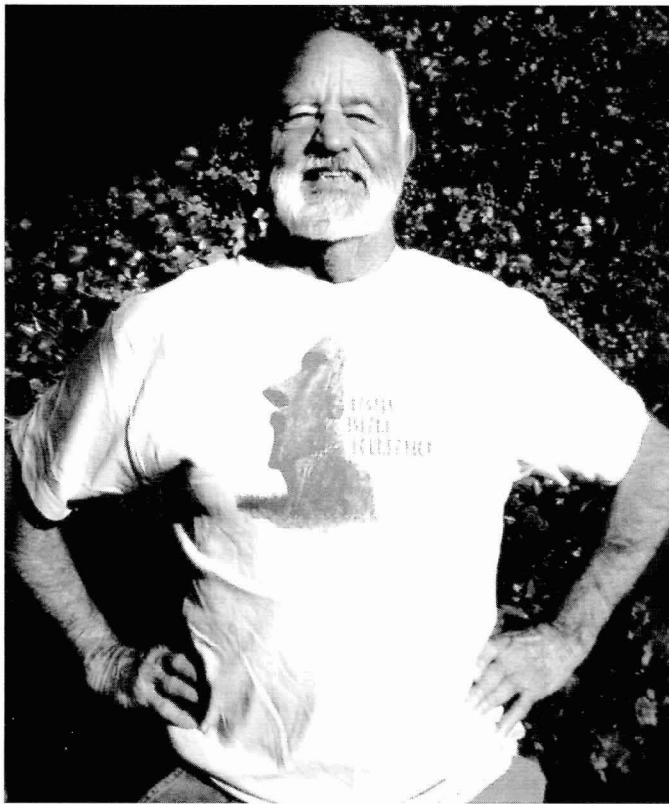


CONFERENCES



The winner of the 2002 Easter Island Foundation scholarship award, Alberto Patricio Genskowsky (Terongo) Pinochet, is shown receiving his check from Viki Haoa and Don Enrique Pakarati Ika, Governor of Rapa Nui.



Frank Morin happily models the new Easter Island Foundation t-shirt. Featuring original art work by Tom Scalise, it is now available (only from us!) and comes in gray (maroon design) or stone-wash green (dark green design). Sizes L, XL (plus a few Medium). Price is \$20 plus postage/handling; California residents add \$1.45 tax. Order from: rapanuibooks@worldnet.att.net or call 805-528-8558.

THE SIXTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE on Rapa Nui and the Pacific is scheduled for September 2004, in Viña del Mar, Chile. The Universidad de Valparaíso and the Easter Island Foundation will co-sponsor the conference titled *VI International Conference on Rapa Nui and the Pacific – VI Congreso Internacional sobre Rapa Nui y el Pacífico*. The co-chairmen for the conference are José Miguel Ramírez and Christopher M. Stevenson.

The 2004 conference keynote speaker will be Dr Atholl Anderson of Australian National University. Key researchers in the field will chair various sessions. The list to date includes: Dr William S. Ayres, *Western Polynesian and Micronesian Archaeology*; Dr Carol Ivory, *Change, Exchange, and Artistic Agency in Pacific Art*; Dr Thegn Ladefoged, *The Archaeology of Hawai'i and East Polynesia*; Dr Miki Makihara and Vicky Haoa, *Rapanui Linguistics*; Dr Grant McCall and Alejandra Grifferos, *Anthropology of History in Remote Polynesia*; Dr Andreas Meith, *Prehistoric Island Environments*; Dr Andrea Seelenfreund, *Rapa Nui Archaeology*; Dr Peter Sheppard, *Materials Science Analysis of Artifacts*; Dr Vincent H. Stefan, *Polynesian Human Biology*; Dr Christopher Stevenson, *General Session*; Joan Wozniak, *Polynesian Agriculture*.

The venue for the meetings is "Conference Town", a complete center that is specially configured for conferences, including fully equipped auditoriums, meeting rooms, and excellent hotel accommodations with meals. The ambience fosters interchange, small gatherings, and informal opportunities to meet others working in the field. This is a self-contained conference locale with bars and recreational facilities that include a pool, sauna, gym, ping-pong, billiards, etc. Views of Conference Town can be seen on the web at www.ctown.cl

Conference Town is located in Reñaca, only a few miles north of beautiful Viña del Mar, noted as one of the finest resort cities on Chile's west coast. All amenities are available, from fine restaurants to a Casino, excellent shopping and lovely beaches.

Contact us for further information at ngarona@att.net. We call for papers and poster presentations by all interested persons. Abstracts must be submitted by diskette plus hard copy, or by email (attached file should be in .txt or .doc file); send email to ngarona@att.net or hard copy to Easter Island Foundation, PO Box 6774, Los Osos, CA 93412. Abstracts must be in English and Spanish and be limited to 250 words; the deadline for abstracts to be received by us is May 1, 2004.

Abstracts of papers and posters will be published in the conference program. Your contributions are important and we look forward to a stimulating meeting. Contributed papers will be incorporated into currently planned symposia, or if that is not possible, into a general session. While the format of sessions may vary, each presentation must be no more than 20 minutes in length. A 35 mm slide projector and digital projector will be provided to facilitate your presentation but speakers are responsible for bringing their own laptop computers if needed.

A special after-conference tour to Easter Island is being planned; for information on this tour, contact José Miguel Ramírez at mataveriotai@entelchile.net. This will be a unique

opportunity to visit Rapa Nui and visit the island's special sites with noted archaeologists and anthropologists.

El VI Congreso Internacional sobre Rapa Nui y el Pacífico está previsto para Septiembre 22 - 25 del 2004, en Viña del Mar, Chile. Esta vez, el Congreso Internacional es organizado por la Universidad de Valparaíso y la Easter Island Foundation, representados por José Miguel Ramírez y Christopher M. Stevenson.

El Dr. Atholl Anderson, de la Australian National University, será quien inaugure el Congreso. Los siguientes investigadores dirigirán distintas sesiones: Dr. William S. Ayres, *Arqueología de Polinesia Occidental y Micronesia*; Dr. Carol Ivory, *Artes del Pacífico*; Dr. Thegn Ladefoged, *Arqueología de Hawaii y Polinesia Oriental*; Dr. Miki Makihara and Vicky Haoa, *Lingüística rapanui*; Dr. Grant McCall and Alejandra Grifferos, *Antropología e Historia*; Dr. Andreas Meith, *Paleoambiente terrestre*; Dr. Andrea Seelenfreund, *Arqueología de Rapa Nui*; Dr. Peter Sheppard, *Análisis de materiales y artefactos*; Dr. Vincent H. Stefan, *Biología Humana en Polinesia*; Dr. Christopher Stevenson, *Sesión General*; and Joan Wozniak, *Agricultura Polinesica*.

El Congreso se realizará en el "Conference Town" de Reñaca, un complejo especialmente habilitado para conferencias, que incluye salones completamente equipados, y un hotel con excelentes acomodaciones y comidas. El ambiente es ideal para el intercambio académico y social, para pequeñas reuniones de trabajo e informales. El Conference Town también ofrece instalaciones para la recreación, con piscina, sauna, pool, gimnasio, bar, ping pong, etc. Se puede revisar el sitio en www.ctown.cl

El Conference Town está ubicado en Reñaca, unos pocos kilómetros al norte de la hermosa ciudad de Viña del Mar, la llamada "Ciudad Jardín" conocida como una de las principales ciudades-balneario de Chile. Todas las distracciones están disponibles, desde finos restaurantes a un Casino, excelente comercio y hermosas playas.

Contáctenos para más información en ngarona@att.net or rapanuibooks@att.net.

Se invita a todos los interesados a presentar artículos y paneles. Los resúmenes deben enviarse en diskette o por e-mail (enviar archivos como .txt o .doc) a la Easter Island Foundation, PO Box 6774, Los Osos, California 93412, o a

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Los resúmenes deben enviarse en inglés y castellano, con un máximo de 250 palabras. Plazo para el envío de resúmenes: 1 de Mayo, 2004.

Los resúmenes de los artículos y paneles serán publicados en el Programa del Congreso. Su contribución es importante y esperamos que este sea una reunión muy estimulante. Los trabajos serán incorporados en los simposios organizados a la fecha, o en la sesión general. Aunque el formato de las sesiones puede variar, cada presentación deberá durar unos 20 minutos. Habrá proyectores de diapositivas y data show para facilitar las presentaciones, pero cada conferencista será responsable de llevar su propio laptop si es necesario.

Se está organizando un tour especial a la isla después del Congreso. Para más información contactar a José Miguel Ramírez en mataveriotai@entelchile.net. Esta será una oportu-

nidad única para visitar Rapa Nui y recorrer los sitios más importantes con destacados especialistas.

APROPOS OF CONFERENCES IN GENERAL, the September 2002 issue of *Antiquity Magazine* (Vol. 76:293) has an interesting discussion about international conferences by the editors, Simon Stoddart and Caroline Malone: "The conference is a favorite venue of the archaeologist. From small intimate meetings on familiar themes and exclusive research, to the international jamborees where all are out to perform and be seen, the opportunity to confer and socialize at conferences has become the lifeblood for much of our discipline." (p. 600). They add that, "... far more useful are the focused and professional conferences that we are all more familiar with - those organized by period and regional societies, universities and learned associations, that allow updating of views, airing of new data, discussion and debate..." (p. 601). This of course is what we all have found at the various Easter Island-Pacific conferences held over the years, from Wyoming to Albuquerque to Hawai'i. It is the networking, the contacts, and the interchange with other working archaeologists and anthropologists that makes these meetings so worthwhile.



VII INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF THE PACIFIC ARTS ASSOCIATION, "REpositioning Pacific Arts: Artists, Objects, Histories". Christchurch, Aotearoa. 23-26 June, 2003.

Keynote Speakers will be Brenda Croft, Adrienne Kaeppler, Darcy Nicholas, and Ralph Regenvanu. Visit the Conference web site: www.conference.co.nz/paa



ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL ON EASTER ISLAND

THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I WILL OFFER a full archaeological field school on the remote island of Rapa Nui in the Summer of 2003. Two field school sections will be offered (two courses, 6 credits each), the first from 2 June to 3 July, and the second from 8 July to 6 August, 2003. The first week of each field school course will include an intensive orientation on Rapa Nui.

For the field school on Rapa Nui, students will conduct archaeological field survey, detailed mapping, and small-scale excavations of archaeological sites. We will work directly with Rapanui students. We will also work with staff from the Padre Sebastián Englert Museum of Anthropology on the island. We will be conducting field research on prehistoric habitations and other sites in three parts of the island: Mai Taki te Moa (northwest coast), Akahanga (south-central coast), and with Sergio Rapu at the early site of Anakena (northeast coast).

A vast amount of previous archaeological research by international scientists on the island illustrates the richness and complexity of the prehistoric, historic, and palaeo-environmental record on this fascinating and anthropologically-significant island. Please visit our up-dated pages (link below) and pass the word along to students you think might be interested in joining our program on Easter Island in 2003.

<http://www.anthropology.hawaii.edu/projects/ppp/rapanui.htm>